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Subject: Re: Can you read this?

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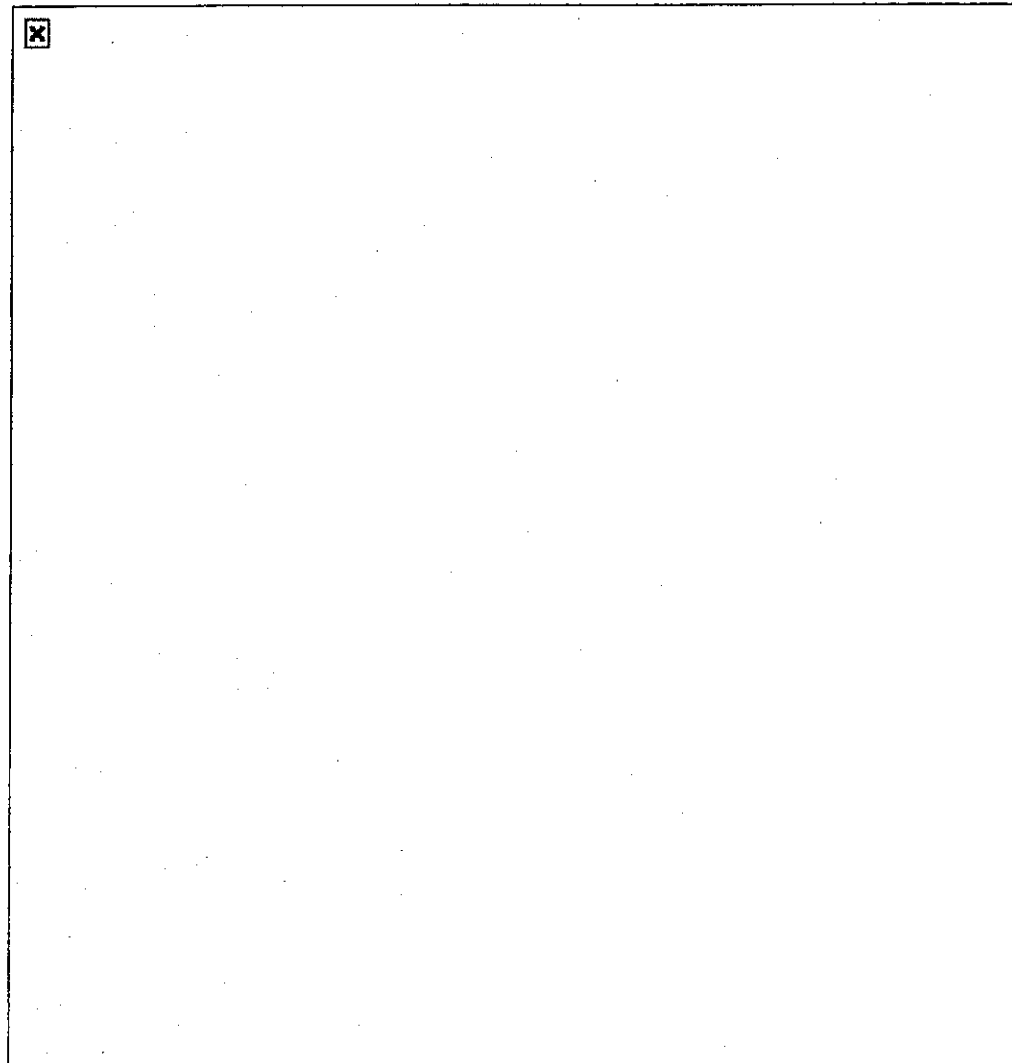
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Subject: Re: Wooten - question

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Governor-

The Daily News has a question about Wooten's claim about moose permits. See below. Please advise on how to answer.

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Thanks.

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From: Nizich, Michael A (GOV) [mike.nizich@alaska.gov]
Sent: Sunday, July 27, 2008 10:16 PM
To: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: request to (slightlly) amend special session call

It's 10:20 and just saw your latest email. Too late to call?

From: gov.palin@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.palin@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sun 7/27/2008 8:33 PM
To: Nizich, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: request to (slightlly) amend special session call

Can u call me 373-3113 home

From: "Nizich, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.nizich@alaska.gov>
Date: Sun, 27 Jul 2008 20:28:34 -0800
To: <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
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Cc: Goode, Kelly C (GOV)
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To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Todd; Nizich; Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: Steve Quinn 586 1515

Guys- yes, please do:

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To: Todd

To: M Nizich

Cc: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Jul 27, 2008 9:23 PM

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Sent: Sunday, July 27, 2008 2:34 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: kris
Subject: First Family

Janice- pls look at sched to see if there are any FF events this week in SouthEast AK so I'll know if Piper can travel with me back to the Juneau home for these next days of session. Thanks

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Sent: Sunday, July 27, 2008 4:30 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: RE: Deputy

Good Morning Governor,

Thank you for your e-mail.

I have been exploring the possibility of recommending Privileged or P as the Deputy Commissioner. Privil is a retired school administrator who earned a solid reputation as a passionate education leader, innovator and advocate for youth. Privil can keep up with the intensity, energy and direction that I operate. He is also known and respected by the EED leadership team.

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Privileged or Personal Material Redacted If Privil gets a "thumbs up" determination, I will consult with Mike Nizich regarding the next step in the process. Privi is preparing a resume and a letter of intent. I hope to have specific information early in the week.

It would be great to meet with you to discuss a number of ideas and initiatives related to achieving our goals for Alaska's youth. Of particular interest, is the support for an Alaska Education Summit. I am always ready to talk about the success of kids. Please don't hesitate to call or e-mail if you have a question, comment or idea that you would like to kick around.

Dottie, my admin assistant, is working through Mike Nizich's office to set up an appointment. On my end, I am always available to the needs of your schedule.

Your staff has provided helpful advice and support as I learn to move through appropriate channels.

It is both a great joy and an awesome responsibility to be Commissioner of Education. I have a great job! Thanks.

Larry

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Subject: Re: Deputy

(I had the wrong addy for larry in previous email)

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Sat, 26 Jul 2008 15:09:17

To: Larry LeDoux<lledoux01@kociakschools.org>

Cc: M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; K Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Deputy

Hi Commish LeDoux - I hadnt heard if you named a deputy commish yet and was wondering status of?

We'll hopefully be getting together soon at a cabinet dinner that will coincide with cabinet meeting... but feel free in the meantime to contact me at any time to touch base on Educ issues. I'll be in Juneau next week. Thanks

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Yes we do need to answer them. And with a subtle reminder of Knowles' support for merger those years ago should help put his opinion in perspective.

------Original Message------

From: Joe Balash

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: K Perry

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Cc: Pat Galvin

Cc: Tom Irwin

Cc: Marty Rutherford

Cc: Meghan Stapleton

Cc: Kurt Gibson

Cc: Sharon Leighow

Cc: McAllister, Bill (GOV sponsored)

Cc: Kelly Goode

Sent: Jul 26, 2008 3:35 PM

Subject: Opportunity

Governor,

On monday afternoon, the senate energy committee is going to hear from governors Hickel and Knowles at 2:00. We are familiar with their respective messages: vote no on AGIA (albeit for different reasons).

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If you're open to something like this, I can put together the talking points for you tomorrow.

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Sent: Sunday, July 27, 2008 11:06 AM

Would u fire off a short sweet email or call to Medred explaining the moose complaint was brought forward once we knew about- we didn't know when it happened! And no, we didn't participate in eating the moose meat. We knew abouit it when Mike bragged to others about it and others complained about it us.

Sent: Sunday, July 27, 2008 2:08 PM

Give me a call

From: ftb907@yahoo.com
Date: Sun, 27 Jul 2008 22:32:58 +0000
To: GPalin<gov.palin@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: Trooper. Re:

Thanks for sending. Nice response.

Les Gara called me about Court of Appeals late Friday and asked if Walt could be brought back as well, that this would take the wind out of the sails of the investigation. I'm passing it on to you as I told him I would. I didn't give any sense on Walt, and asked him about AGIA. I can't see how on earth that could turn out well in the end.

On AGIA he did say you could get the votes but that it would probably take individual visits to Senators.

Media was a LOT tamer then I expected today. Was surprised there was no Halcro column as we had heard there would be. Sean got beat up pretty good by Dan, but other than that it was a decent day for the Admin.

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From: gov.palin@yahoo.com
Date: Sun, 27 Jul 2008 22:04:36 +0000
To: Debbie Joslin<joslin@wildak.net>
Subject: Trooper. Re:

Hi Debbie:
I hope you'll trust me that I'd be the first to admit if I made a mistake two weeks ago in offering Walt a different job aside from Commissioner. Replacing him (as has happened in Walt's last two jobs) had absolutely nothing to do with problems from 2005 with a former brother-in-law. I never asked, nor pressured Walt in any way to fire Trooper Wooten, as he admitted to reporters once he realized the suggestion had been made. When first elected, my security detail asked that I forward on concerns to Walt about the one and only threat I've known of against me and my family (that was Wooten's). It was appropriate that I did so. I have no regrets in forwarding the concerns to him, as any citizen would do. No personal feelings ever influenced my recognition that DPS needed a lot more action and results in dealing with some horrendous activities in rural AK, and needed action to fill the dozens of vacant trooper positions that have sat empty for more than two years now. Thanks, and hope ypu have a great Sunday.

From: "Debbie Joslin" <joslin@wildak.net>

Date: Sun, 27 Jul 2008 13:29:06 -0800
To: <gov.palin@yahoo.com>
Subject:

Hi,
I have been thinking of you and praying for you. I don't know what REALLY happened with the DPS Comm job. I know you can never be sure about what you read in the paper. I do want to encourage you though. This is just my opinion (and a little bit of Biblical wisdom mixed in) based on hard lessons I have learned in life. IF you did fire WM in part or in whole because of the brother in law, just admit it and make it right. Hire him back if that makes sense and even if it doesn't, just say that you are sorry you let personal feelings get in the way and move on. People will forgive you, especially if you admit you made a mistake, quicker than if an investigation shows the same without your admission. I am not sending this to anyone else and I hope you are not offended but I want you to know that even if you did make a mistake, we all stand ready to get past it. You have high enough approval ratings that this will just be a little bump in the road if you admit to any mistake quicker than if you don't, assuming you did make a mistake. Again, I am just going on what I read in the papers.

Respectfully,

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